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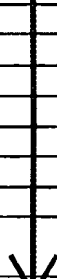
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	8	<div style="text-align: right;"><b>Reviewed Abstract Only</b></div> <u>Privacy-preserving inter-database operations</u> ISI 2004 : intelligence and security informatics: Tucson AZ, 10-11 June, 2004, Gang Liang; Chawathe Sudarshan S ; Chen Hsinchun ed; Moore Reagan ed; Zeng Daniel D ed; Leavitt John ed Computer Science Department, University of Maryland College Park, Maryland 20742 United States Conference: Symposium on intelligence and security informatics, 2, (Tucson AZ USA), 2004-06-10 Lecture notes in computer science, 2004, Volume: 3073, Page: 66-82 We present protocols for distributed computation of relational intersections and equi-joins such that each site gains no information about the tuples at the other site that do not intersect or join with its own tuples. Such protocols form the building blocks of distributed information systems that manage sensitive information, such as patient records and financial transactions, that must be shared in only a limited manner. We discuss applications of our protocols, outlining the ramifications of assumptions such as semi-honesty. In addition to improving on the efficiency of earlier protocols, our protocols are asymmetric, making them especially applicable to applications in which a low-powered client interacts with a server in a privacy-preserving manner. We present a brief experimental study of our protocols. (24 ref.)	

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	10	<p><u>Convergys Corporation, Infinys: Geneva Rating and Billing, Administration and Maintenance</u>, Release 5.3. 2001-2004", (pp 64-70) Convergys, Cincinnati, Ohio USA, pp. 64-70</p> <p>[Hereinafter, Geneva] There is described a rating and billing system comprising the following elements: Consolidator, LoadStage*, and SortMergeDaemonProcess.</p> <p>In Geneva, the Consolidator and the SortMergeDaemon sorts the daily records and groups all call records of an account together. These elements store records in a bifurcated fashion to achieve greater retrieval efficiency by using one element (e.g., Consolidator) to managed newly arrived records and using the other element (e.g., SortMergeDaemon) to archive records in formats more suitable for CSR/Billing inquiries. LoadStage1 processes usage transactions when the USAGE_STATUS_IND is set to a predetermined value. It reads the BLOB files and writes out the data to various predetermined files.</p> <p>Geneva also utilizes a File Control Database. It uses the database to hold references to files in the operating system. The references, however, represent the entire file. Thus, when one wants to process a file in Geneva, the entire file is made on the operating system. When finished, an entry is made in the FCD and away it goes.</p>

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	14	<p>GRAHAM, STEVE, et al., <u>Building Web Services with Java: Making Sense of XML, SOAP, WSDL and UDDI</u>, Sams Indianapolis, Indiana, 2002</p> <p><a href="http://www.amazon.com/Building-Web-Services-Java-Developers/dp/0672326418">http://www.amazon.com/Building-Web-Services-Java-Developers/dp/0672326418</a></p> <p>(link is to 2nd edition, we used 1<sup>st</sup> edition)</p>	

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SYCARA, K. Sch. of Comput. Sci., Carnegie Mellon Univ., Pittsburgh, PA, USA Conference: Proceedings of the First International Joint Conference on Autonomous Agents and Multiagent Systems , Page: 1044  
 Publisher: ACM, New York, NY, USA , 2002 , CD-ROM Pages Conference: AAMAS '02: First International Joint Conference on Autonomous Agents and Multi-Agent Systems, 15-19 July, 2002, Bologna, Italy

**Agents Supporting Humans And Organizations In Open, Dynamic Environments**

Summary form only given. The presence of the digital infosphere and the continuous growth of e-commerce have generated important shifts in the ways people and organizations get information and make decisions. These shifts necessitate increased automation and creation of infrastructure, standards and policies to enable machines to automatically access information, understand it, fuse it as needed, and engage in collaborative problem solving to support decision making. Fulfilling such goals presents many challenges, including semantic interoperability, agent-based collaboration, information customization, automated and flexible service discovery and transactions across the Internet. Services are discovered and invoked manually by human users. In the near future, such service discovery and use will be mediated by agents acting on behalf of humans. This opens the possibilities for agents and humans to be team partners and coordinate sharing information, responsibility and control according to the task requirements. There are many challenges to accomplish such collaboration. A crucial one is making the Web agent-understandable, i.e. allowing for semantic annotation of content. The combination of the semantic Web and agent technology is the harbinger of the next Web revolution. Instead of being populated only with human-readable documents, the Web will be populated with agent-mediated services. In addition, agents will support human decision-making and human institutions through autonomous interactions, such as negotiations, coalition formation, and agent-mediated markets. In the Laboratory of Advanced Agent Technology at Carnegie Mellon University, the author has been developing multiagent infrastructure, tools, and algorithms that comprise a Reusable Environment of Task-Structured Intelligent Networked Agents (RETSINA). This infrastructure can be used for developing distributed heterogeneous intelligent agents that interact in various ways including a peer-to-peer manner, as well as agent-mediated services that describe themselves in semantically meaningful ways, discover one another dynamically, interoperate and compose themselves on-the-fly and on-demand, given particular tasks and goals to be fulfilled. This infrastructure has been used to support humans and organizations in open and dynamic environments, where information sources, agents and communication links may appear and disappear dynamically. The developed multiagent applications range from financial portfolio management, to distributed crisis action planning, team coordination, reactive and anticipatory assistance, location-based collaboration and e-commerce. She gives an overview of agent research and presents current research results and future challenges. Up until now, this vision has been conceived and pursued mainly in academia and research labs. However, recent industrial interest in flexible interoperable automated transactions, Web services, and the availability of tools to enable some form of service automation (e.g. UDDI, WSDL, X-lang, WSFL, e-speak, NET, etc.) holds the promise of fast progress in this area.

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	21	<b>Reviewed Abstract Only</b>  HAKOMORI, S.; Taniguchi, H. Dept. of Inf. Technol., NTT Data Corp., Tokyo, Japan Systems and Computers in Japan, vol.33, no.14, Page: 59-71 Publisher: Scripta Technica, December, 2002  <u>An Operating System For An Online Transaction Processing System With A Heavy Load</u>  In this paper, we describe an operating system for terminal controller which controls communication lines and terminals in a large-scaled distributed transaction processing system. Since the controller deals with a lot of transaction requests from terminals concurrently, its operating system needs to manage resources efficiently in order to guarantee the maximum response time. Besides, system availability and efficiency for system maintenance are also required, therefore the operating system has to provide essential facilities. Our operating system was developed to satisfy such requirements in a practical way. This paper introduces the major features, evaluation results, and states of the application. (11 References)	
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	<p>ISHIZAKA T; Hyou K Bit Inc., Jpn ; Dalian Univ. Technol., Chn Joho Shori Gakkai Shinpojiumu Ronbunshu, 1998, Volume: 98, Number: 14, Page: 147-151</p> <p><u>TimeCube-a Temporal Data Warehouse and Its Distributed Applications</u></p> <p>TimeCube is a new product which has being designed and developed in our department. In this paper we will explain characteristics of TimeCube and its technical points of the design and implementation. It is a new type of Data Warehouse which can collect and store time-varying data automatically. There are three types of data stored in databases, transaction type data, aggregated type data and master type data. TimeCube belongs to the master type data based on the state model. Many time query methods such as period query, history query, period length query, event query etc. and their combination query are also described. TimeCube is very adaptable to distributed computing environments and applications based on a Client/Server model. A lot of distributed potential applications in personnel, business, traffic, and financial departments etc. are also illustrated. (author abst.)</p>	
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	<p>TREC'98 : trends in distributed systems for electronic commerce : Hamburg, 3-5 June 1998</p> <p>PAPAZOGLU M P; Jeusfeld M A; Weigand H; Jarke M ; Lamersdorf Winfried ed; Merz Michael ed Infolab, Tilburg University 5000 LE Tilburg Netherlands; RWTH Aachen, Informatik V 52056 Aachen Germany Conference: International IFIP/GI working conference, (Hamburg DEU), 1998-06-03 Lecture notes in computer science , 1998, Volume: 1402, Page: 192-204</p> <p><u>Distributed, Interoperable Workflow Support For Electronic Commerce</u></p> <p>This paper describes a flexible distributed transactional workflow environment based on an extensible object-oriented framework built around class libraries, application programming interfaces, and shared services. The purpose of this environment is to support a range of EC-like business activities including the support of financial transactions and electronic contracts. This environment has as its aim to provide key infrastructure services for mediating and monitoring electronic commerce. (16 ref.)</p>	

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		<p>BALASUBRAMANIAN, R.; Haskell, L.; Karmarkar, V.; Lackey, J.; Yatchman, M. Lucent Technol., USA. Conference: ISS'97: World Telecommunications Congress. 'Global Network Evolution: Convergence or Collision?'. Proceedings Part: vol.2, Page: 105-12 vol.2 Publisher: Pinnacle Group, Toronto, Ont., Canada, 1997, 2 vol. (xxxiv+591+633) Pages Conference: Proceedings of ISS'97 International Switching Symposium, Sponsor: Alcatel Canada, Bell Canada, BC Tel, Island Telephone Co., Manitoba Telecom Serv., et al, 21-26 Sept. 1997, Toronto, Ont., Canada</p> <p><u>Toward Object-Web-Based Service Provider Infrastructure For E-Commerce Transactions</u></p> <p>The emergence of the World-Wide Web (WWW) as the pervasive and ultimate open framework for multi-computer and multi-party collaboration has spurred rapid evolution of online business transaction processing and delivery architectures. The promise of heterogeneous networked systems inter-operating to conduct secure multi-party commerce over the Internet with object-based transaction processing technologies is just being realized. The Web model's span of application across computer and communication networks from corporate private backbones (intranets) to global public backbones (Internets), and several grades of sub-networks in between (virtual intranets or extranets), has created the universal "plumbing" scenario for the next decade. Distributed object computing (DOC) standards that will both utilize and incrementally enhance this plumbing are fuelling competition between "network" and "network-edge" technology companies in the creation of the next generation of electronic commerce (E-commerce) overlay infrastructures. The dominant criteria driving choices can perhaps be best categorized into two powerful dimensions, namely, psychological and economical, where decisions to locate essential object services for E-commerce will need to address a mix of security, reliability and economies-of-scale attributes. This paper propositions a road-map to rapid collaborative approaches where network providers (NP) and content providers (CP) can offer best-in-class E-commerce transaction services by addressing these attributes simultaneously. (11 References)</p>	


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	<p>VOGLER, Hartmut; Kunkelmann, Thomas; Moschgath, Marie-Louise Darmstadt Univ of Technology, Darmstadt, Ger Conference: Proceedings of the 1997 International Conference on Parallel and Distributed Systems, Seoul, South Korea, 19971210-19971213, (Sponsor: IEEE) Proceedings of the International Conference on Parallel and Distributed Systems - ICPADS 1997. IEEE Comp Soc, Los Alamitos, CA, USA, 97B100215. p 268-274, 1997</p> <p><u>Approach For Mobile Agent Security And Fault Tolerance Using Distributed Transactions</u></p> <p>Mobile agents are no longer a theoretical issue since different architectures for their realization have been proposed. With the increasing market of electronic commerce it becomes an interesting aspect to use autonomous mobile agents for electronic business transactions. Being involved in money transactions, supplementary security features for mobile agent systems have to be ensured. In this paper we present an architecture for a mobile agent system which guarantees security for the host as well as security for the agent. This architecture additionally offers fault tolerance for the whole agent system at a high level. To handle these issues for mobile agents we use various encryption mechanisms and we apply a novel method for mobile agent systems by using distributed transactions processing based on the OMG Object Transaction Service in our architecture. With this security architecture an agent will be enabled to do money transactions. (Author abstract) Refs.</p>	
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	<p>LINN, C.; Howarth, B. Dept. of Comput., Univ. of Western Sydney, Nepean, NSW, Australia, Page: 203-12 Publisher: IEEE Comput. Soc. Press, Los Alamitos, CA, USA, 1994, xii+272 Pages Conference: Proceedings of 3rd International Conference on Parallel and Distributed Information Systems, Sponsor: IEEE Comput. Soc. Tech. Committee on Data Eng., ACM SIGMOD, Bellcore, US West, 28-30 September, 1994, Austin, TX, USA</p> <p><u>A Proposed Globally Distributed Federated Database: A Practical Performance Evaluation</u></p> <p>Many organisations are now planning to move their operations from total reliance on centralised databases towards distributed environments which may involve the interoperability of a number of heterogeneous databases. This study looks at a particular case for an international financial institution, with the likely performance of a proposed globally distributed federated database being compared with the performance of the current centralised system. The performance model developed includes submodels for transaction structure and management, user workload and distributed heterogeneous databases. Simulations focus on response times for a particular class of credit control/deal entry transactions in the presence of a background load. The results demonstrate that the proposed federated database outperforms the current centralised system, and that this is achievable using currently available technology. (25 References)</p>	

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LEE, P.C.; Ghosh, S. Integration Services Div., Andersen Consulting, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia IEEE Journal on Selected Areas in Communications, vol.12, no.6, Page: 1072-87, August, 1994.

NOVAHID: A Novel Architecture For Asynchronous, Hierarchical, International, Distributed, Real-Time Payments Processing

The paper introduces a novel architecture for asynchronous, hierarchical, international, geographically distributed, real-time banking, NOVAHID. NOVAHID is organized as a hierarchical approach. The paper assumes that nations may be organized into unique and autonomous entities, termed groups. The lower level of the hierarchy consists of discrete "group-networks" where each group-network is synthesized from the Equivalent Federal Reserve banking nodes of the nations served by the group-network. At the highest level of the hierarchy, representative entities of the groups are interconnected through a "top-level-network". The hierarchy reflects the underlying assumption that a significant fraction of all transactions is local to the group-networks. NOVAHID utilizes the principles of YADDES, which embodies the principle of an asynchronous, discrete-event simulation algorithm for cyclic circuits and mathematically guarantees the accuracy of the execution of events. Each banking transaction is modeled as an event in discrete-event simulation. NOVAHID guarantees the accuracy of every transaction and, hence, the accurate balance of every account at all times. NOVAHID offers to any user the banking privileges of withdrawal, deposit, and transfer anywhere and at any time in the world. The paper also describes a model and implementation of NOVAHID on a loosely coupled parallel processor. Performance measures are also reported. (19 References)

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LEE, Tony; Ghosh, Sumit Brown Univ, Providence, RI, USA Simulation v 62 n 3 Mar 1994. p 180-201, 1994

Distributed Approach To Real-Time Payments-Processing In A Partially-Connected Network Of Banks. Modeling And Simulation

This paper observes that the banking process may be mathematically mapped to a discrete-event simulation system with feedback loops. This approach distributes the processing operations to multiple, concurrent, cooperating geographically distributed computers. It mathematically guarantees the accuracy of every transaction. 21 Refs.

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		<p>LEE, Y.-H.; Yu, P.S.; Iyer, B.R. IBM Thomas J. Watson Res. Center, Yorktown Heights, NY, USA IEEE Transactions on Computers , vol.C-36, no.8 , Page: 976-87 , August, 1987</p> <p><u>Progressive Transaction Recovery In Distributed DB/DC Systems</u></p> <p>To perform large amounts of on-line transactions processing, several database management (DB) and data communication management (DC) subsystems can be coupled together to form a distributed DB/DC system. A key problem is to provide these distributed systems with effective means to recover transactions upon failure, while paying little performance penalty during normal processing. Also, there should be minimal interference with fault-free components during the recovery of a failed component. By decentralizing recovery management, and using transaction-level structural information to eliminate costly lower-level handshaking protocols, progressive transaction recovery protocols seek to solve the problem. A queueing model for evaluating the transaction response time during normal processing for progressive and pessimistic protocols is developed and solved, via simulation. The progressive recovery protocols are shown to reduce normal processing overhead and lead to performance improvement over the pessimistic protocol. (23 References)</p>
	39	<p>CIFS – Common Internet File System. Microsoft sponsored alternative to NFS.</p> <p><a href="http://www.microsoft.com/mind/1196/cifs.asp">http://www.microsoft.com/mind/1196/cifs.asp</a></p>
	40	<p>Dell PowerEdge 1655MC server.</p> <p>Documentation/vendor products re: cluster in a chassis with the following features: node management, Hot swap, Integral Gigabit Ethernet networks, SAN or Network Attached Storage support, Integral storage modules</p>
	41	<p>VI: Virtual Interface: Fast memory to memory transfers over network.</p> <p>Virtual Interface Architecture</p> <p>Specification: <a href="ftp://download.intel.com/design/servers/vi/VI_Arch_Specification10.pdf">ftp://download.intel.com/design/servers/vi/VI_Arch_Specification10.pdf</a></p>
		<p><b>WEBSITES</b></p>
	1	<p>IBM: <a href="http://www-03.ibm.com/systems/bladecenter/products/">http://www-03.ibm.com/systems/bladecenter/products/</a></p> <p>Documentation/vendor products re: cluster in a chassis with the following features: node management, Hot swap, Integral Gigabit Ethernet networks, SAN or Network Attached Storage support, Integral storage modules</p>

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	<p><a href="http://www.cs.yale.edu/Linda/ap_and_piranha.html">http://www.cs.yale.edu/Linda/ap_and_piranha.html</a></p> <p><u>Adaptive Parallelism and Piranha</u>, Nick Carriero, Eric Freeman, David Gelernter and David Kaminsky.  <u>Adaptive Parallelism and Piranha</u>. Yale University, Feb. 1994</p> <p>Abstract, full article requires IEEE subscription, abstracts from:  <a href="http://ieeexplore.ieee.org/xpl/freeabs_all.jsp?tp=&amp;arnumber=362631&amp;isnumber=8308">http://ieeexplore.ieee.org/xpl/freeabs_all.jsp?tp=&amp;arnumber=362631&amp;isnumber=8308</a></p> <p>This paper appears in: Computer  Publication Date: Jan 1995  Volume: 28, Issue: 1  On page(s): 40-49  ISSN: 0018-9162  References Cited: 12  CODEN: CPTRB4  INSPEC Accession Number: 4881874  Digital Object Identifier: 10.1109/2.362631  Posted online: 2002-08-06 20:02:51.0</p> <p>Desktop computers are idle much of the time. Ongoing trends make aggregate LAN "waste"-idle compute cycles-an increasingly attractive target for recycling. Piranha, a software implementation of adaptive parallelism, allows these waste cycles to be recaptured by putting them to work running parallel applications. Most parallel processing is static: programs execute on a fixed set of processors throughout a computation. Adaptive parallelism allows for dynamic processor sets which means that the number of processors working on a computation may vary, depending on availability. With adaptive parallelism, instead of parceling out jobs to idle workstations, a single job is distributed over many workstations. Adaptive parallelism is potentially valuable on dedicated multiprocessors as well, particularly on massively parallel processors. One key Piranha advantage is that task descriptors, not processes, are the basic movable, remappable computation unit. The task descriptor approach supports strong heterogeneity. A process image representing a task in mid computation can't be moved to a machine of a different type, but a task descriptor can be. Thus, a task begun on a Sun computer can be completed by an IBM machine. The authors show that adaptive parallelism has the potential to integrate heterogeneous platforms seamlessly into a unified computing resource and to permit more efficient sharing of traditional parallel processors than is possible with current systems.</p>	
↓	20	<p><a href="http://www.eecs.harvard.edu/dafs/">http://www.eecs.harvard.edu/dafs/</a> or  <a href="http://www.acmqueue.org/modules.php?name=Content&amp;pa=showpage&amp;pid=48">http://www.acmqueue.org/modules.php?name=Content&amp;pa=showpage&amp;pid=48</a></p> <p>DAFS- Direct Access File System</p>

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